

## FACILITY COMPLIANCE AUDIT REPORT

# Division of Waste Management Solid Waste Section

UNIT TYPE: (check all that apply to this audit with same Permit number)											
Lined MSWLF	LCID	YW	Transfer	X C	Compost		SLAS		COUNTY: Catawba		
Closed MSWLF	HHW	White goods	Incin		T&P		FIRM		PERMIT NO.: 18-08T		
CDLF	Tire T&P / Collection	Tire Monofill	Industrial Landfill	]	DEMO		SDTF		FILE TYPE: COMPLIANCE		

Date of Audit: June 19, 2008.

Date of Last Audit: October 3, 2007

#### **FACILITY NAME AND ADDRESS:**

City of Hickory Transfer Station 1050 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue SW Hickory, North Carolina 28601

GPS COORDINATES: (Decimal Degrees) N: 35.73125 W: 81.35588

### FACILITY CONTACT NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:

Mr. John Yvars, Solid Waste Supervisor (828) 323-7439

# FACILITY CONTACT ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT):

P.O. Box 398 Hickory, North Carolina 28601

# **AUDIT PARTICIPANTS:**

Charles Gerstell, NCDENR-Solid Waste Section John Yvars, Solid Waste Supervisor

#### STATUS OF PERMIT:

Permit issued 2/17/05. Renewal date is 2/17/10

#### **PURPOSE OF AUDIT:**

Comprehensive

#### NOTICE OF VIOLATION(S) (citation and explanation):

15A North Carolina Administrative Code 13B .0402(3) states: Water that comes into contact with solid waste will be contained on-site or properly treated prior to discharge from the site. An NPDES permit may be required to discharge to surface waters.

During this inspection, leachate was observed leaking from a damaged rollout waste container and flowing into a catch basin that leads directly to the storm sewer system. This leachate was not treated prior to being released from the site into the storm sewer system. Therefore, the City of Hickory is in violation of 15A NCAC 13B .0402(3).

To achieve compliance, the City of Hickory must take corrective action within 7 days of receipt of this audit report to prevent further releases of leachate from the site into the storm sewer system or adjacent properties. This should include, but be limited to using leak proof waste containers and placing containers in a location that prevents leachate from entering the storm sewer system.

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You are hereby advised that, pursuant to N.C.G.S. 130A-22, an administrative penalty of up to \$15,000 per day may be assessed for each violation of the Solid Waste Statute or Regulations. If the violation(s) noted here continue, you may be subject to enforcement actions including penalties, injunction from operation of a solid waste management facility or a solid waste collection service and any such further relief as may be necessary to achieve compliance with the North Carolina Solid Waste Management Act and Rules.

#### **STATUS OF PAST NOTED VIOLATIONS (List all noted last audit):**

None

#### **AREAS OF CONCERN AND COMMENTS:**

- 1. Facility has a service area of the City of Hickory only.
- 2. Facility receives approximately 2200 tons of waste per month.
- 3. The permit and operations plan were reviewed. The documentation was complete and available for review.
- 4. The signs at the facility are correct.
- 5. Floor was being washed as needed.
- 6. There are eight fire extinguishers available for fire control.
- 7. The recycling area was well managed at the time of inspection.
- 8. Windblown waste was well managed at the time of inspection.
- 9. All waste received is transferred to the Blackburn Sanitary Landfill.
- 10. Incoming waste is deposited directly into the compactor hoppers. Viewing windows allow the facility attendant to screen waste being discharged. Any unauthorized waste can be removed from the hopper. Recommend documenting all unacceptable material received and actions taken to properly dispose of this material. Mr. Yvars and I reviewed the sample waste screening form that was provided with the previous audit report issued on October 12, 2007. He stated that they would begin using this form to document waste screenings. Screenings should be performed on a minimum of 1% of the waste stream.
- 11. Transfer Station Operator Certifications: Doug Gentry (expires 2/9/08)

Ronald Lewis Berry, II (expires 2/22//11) Kenneth R. Watts (expires 2/22/08) Chucky A. Thompson (expires 2/22/11)

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding this audit report.

Charles V. Gerstell

Regional Representative

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Cc: Mark Poindexter, Field Operations Branch Head Deborah Aja, Western Area Supervisor